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## (U) CALIFORNIA

## (U) Campbell - 'Cop Killer' Inscribed Bullets, Rifles, Pipe Bomb, Manifesto Discovered After Arrest

(U) During the arrest of Wesley Charles Martines, 32, authorities say they discovered a cache of weapons, a handwritten manifesto about committing genocide and bullets that he personally inscribed with the words "cop killer." The manifesto, according to the Campbell police and the Santa Clara County District Attorney's Office, contained writings voicing his desire to "wipe out the Black, Hispanic, and Jewish populations." Martines was charged with seven felonies encompassing possession of assault weapons, a silencer, illegal drugs and a pipe bomb filled with pellets. He is being held on \$300,000 bail. SOURCE: 15 July 2021, The Mercury News

## (U) Palos Verdes – Panga Boat Carrying 17 People Washes Ashore

(U) A panga boat carrying 17 people washed ashore yesterday morning in Palos Verdes and one injury was reported. Los Angeles County lifeguards responded to the vessel aground at Smuggler's Cove in Palos Verdes shortly before 9 a.m. Aerial images showed that a large law enforcement presence also responded to the scene.

SOURCE: 15 July 2021, Fox11 Los Angeles

## (U) Sacramento – Court Unseals Indictment for Conspiracy to Attack Democratic Headquarters

(U) Two men were indicted in connection with conspiracy to attack the Democratic Headquarters in Sacramento, the FBI's San Francisco office announced. Ian Rogers and Jarrod Copeland are accused of planning the attack "using incendiary devices," officials said. FBI officials said Copeland was arrested in Sacramento earlier this week. Rogers was arrested in January and charged in federal court with stockpiling illegal weapons. Copeland is expected to be in court in San Francisco on 20 July, and Rogers will be on court 30 July.

SOURCE: 15 July 2021, KCRA3

## (U) San Diego - Pleads Guilty to Unemployment Benefit Fraud Scheme Involving Inmates

(U) Nyika Gomez former contract employee with the state's unemployment insurance program pleaded guilty to federal wire fraud and aggravated identify theft charges stemming from allegations that she conspired with her prison inmate boyfriend, who is serving a 94-year-to life sentence for murder, to steal hundreds-of-thousands of dollars in pandemic unemployment aid. Gomez worked as a call center agent assisting people in processing their unemployment insurance claims, admitted to submitting false unemployment claims using personal identifying information she acquired from inmates.

SOURCE: 14 July 2021, Times of San Diego

#### (U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

# (U) Texas - Agents Intercept Large Travel Trailer Smuggling Schemes

(U) Sierra Blanca – Agents conducting traffic check operations encountered a vehicle pulling a large travel trailer in the primary inspection lane was then directed to the secondary inspection lane. A second vehicle pulling another large travel trailer was encountered shortly after agents began inspecting

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the vehicle and trailer. Agents provided additional information on a second vehicle involved in the smuggling scheme to the Texas Department of Public Safety who performed a vehicle stop and identified multiple subjects concealed in a travel trailer. In total, 74 undocumented non-citizens and three US citizens were apprehended.

SOURCE: 15 July 2021, <u>CBP</u>

#### (U) NATIONAL

#### (U) Maryland – 'Boogaloo' Ex-Convict Gets Home Confinement for Illegal Gun

(U) Baltimore – Frank William Perry, 39, who belonged to an anti-government extremist movement was sentenced to six-months of home confinement for illegally possessing a firearm. Perry acknowledged following the "boogaloo" movement, a concept embraced by a loose network of gun enthusiasts and militia-style extremists. Perry pleaded guilty in March to a gun charge that carries a maximum sentence of 10-years in prison. Prosecutors weren't seeking a sentence stiffer than the one month he already spent in jail after his arrest. US District Judge Catherine Blake also sentenced him to three-years of supervised release.

SOURCE: 15 July 2021, KTEN

# (U) Texas – One Officer Killed, Four Wounded in Standoff with Gunman

(U) Levelland – One officer was killed, and four others were wounded when a police standoff erupted in gunfire. The incident involved a man reported as possibly armed on a residential street. The suspect barricaded himself inside a house, and a standoff ensued. Sergeant Josh Bartlett, the commander of the sheriff's tactical unit, was taken to the hospital and died of his wounds. The other three officers were treated for minor injuries, and at least some had been discharged from the hospital. Hockley County Sheriff Ray Scifres declined to identify the suspect but said he had a history of contact with police. SOURCE: 15 July 2021, <u>US News</u>

# (U) INTERNATIONAL

#### (U) Israel – Dozens of Hamas-Linked Students Arrested

(U) Jerusalem – Israel says it arrested dozens of Palestinian students in the occupied West Bank who are linked to the Hamas militant group. The military said that those arrested belong to a Hamas student group at Birzeit University and were "directly involved in terror activities, including money transfers, incitement and the organization of Hamas activities."

SOURCE: 15 July 2021, ABC News

# (U) Netherlands – Cocaine Disguised as Charcoal Worth \$41 Million Seized by Police

(U) Rotterdam – Cocaine disguised as charcoal with a potential street value of up to \$41.4 million has been seized in a joint operation between Irish and Dutch authorities. The drugs were found in two shipping containers with 2,000 bags of charcoal from South America that arrived at the port of Rotterdam, in the Netherlands, as part of what Irish investigators believe was an attempt to import up to half-a-ton of cocaine to Ireland, according to a press release from the Garda Síochána, Ireland's national police and security service.

SOURCE: 15 July 2021, CNN

#### (U) Pakistan - Roadside Bomb Targeting Troops Kills Two

(U) Quetta – A powerful roadside bomb targeting security forces killed two soldiers in southwest Pakistan, the mílitary said. The overnight attack happened in Pasni, a district in the impoverished

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Baluchistan province, according to a military statement. No group immediately claimed responsibility, but previous such attacks on security forces have been blamed on small separatist groups. SOURCE: 15 July 2021, <u>Associated Press</u>

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